Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 12 Nov 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 13 Nov 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 12 Nov 2020 at 02:50 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Thursday. High for changeable conditions into the weekend, but low for detail on Saturday and Sunday.

Headline for Thursday 12 Nov 2020: Mostly dry for daylight hours, rain after dark. Very windy at height.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 12 Nov 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG		FOG			
Fog	Cloudy	Fog	Drizzle	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	<05%	20%	30%	>95%

Forecast for Thursday 12 Nov 2020

Weather: Any early rain will soon die out and cloud will break through the morning. Then a mainly dry day, apart from an occasional light shower in the west. Best of the sunshine in the morning. Rain will develop across Skye and Lochaber mid-afternoon, with heavy rain spreading east across all ranges in the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Patchy cloud between 500 and 700 metres around dawn across the west of the region, much of this dispersing through the morning. Low cloud, down to 500 metres, becoming widespread from mid-afternoon onwards across the south and west of the area, although ranges in the north are likely to hang onto clearer conditions until evening. The Cuillins may cloud over a little earlier in the afternoon, but low confidence in this aspect.

Visibility: Very good during daylight hours outside of cloud, briefly dipping in any passing showers. Becoming poor in rain later.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	20/23 SW	29/34 SW	33/42 S	39/50 S	41/53 S	39/53 S	33/46 S
900	19/23 SW	27/33 SW	30/40 S	35/46 S	37/50 S	37/50 S	31/44 S
600	15/19 SW	18/25 SW	22/32 S	26/37 S	27/39 S	27/41 S	22/35 S
300	5/19 W	3/23 SW	6/27 S	8/33 S	8/38 S	11/40 S	11/36 S
Glen	9/17 W	7/19 SW	11/27 S	14/31 S	18/40 S	17/37 S	15/32 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	2/-4	1/-6	1/-6	2/-6	3/-5	4/-4	2/-5
900	3/-3	2/-5	2/-5	3/-5	4/-4	4/-2	3/-4
600	5/0	4/-1	4/-1	5/-1	6/0	6/1	5/0
300	6/5	6/5	7/5	7/5	8/6	8/6	7/4
Glen	8/6	8/6	9/7	10/7	10/7	11/8	10/7
Freezing Level*	1400m	1100m	1200m	1600m	1900m	1700m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Gales expected on the higher summits together with a significant wind chill. Southerly gusts to 70 mph possible on the highest summits by afternoon with marked gustiness developing. Notable wind chill.

Forecast for Friday 13 Nov 2020

Weather: Rain in the early hours soon clearing. Then some brightness along with frequent showers, showers most frequent along western coastal ranges. Cold and windy with showers falling as hail, or wet snow above 800 to 1000 metres.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly gusts to 50 mph on summits, and to 70 mph over the very highest summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Patchy cloud down to 600 to 800 metres, this mostly in the morning and possibly extensive across the southwest at first.

Visibility: Very good with great air clarity

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 rising to 9 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius
Freezing level: 1000 to 1200 metres

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